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C O N F I D E N T I A L NICOSIA 1646

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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE RE-OPENING OF NICOSIA AIRPORT

REF: STATE 161254 (NOTAL)

1. SUMMARY: UN SRSG GALINDO-POHL RAISED NICOSIA AIRPORT ISSUE
WITH DENKTASH JULY 3. ACCORDING TO D/SRSG GORGE, DENKTASH
RESPONSE WAS NOT HELPFUL BUT FINAL WORD FROM TURKISH SIDE
STILL HAS NOT BEEN HEARD. END SUMMARY

2. FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF REFTTEL, I DISCUSSED NICOSIA AIRPORT
RE-OPENING WITH GORGE. HE SAID GALINDO-POHL PLANNED TO DISCUSS
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THE QUESTION WITH DENKTASH AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER LATTER'S
RETURN TO CYPRUS. I DID NOT MENTION THE POSSIBILITY OF RE-
OPENING FOR GENERAL CIVILIAN TRAFFIC BECAUSE MAIN CONDITIONS
DENKTASH HAS SET FOR THIS -- 50/50 SHARING IN THE MANAGEMENT
OF THE AIRPORT -- IS TOTALLY UNACCEPTABLE TO GOC.

3. GALINDO-POHL MET WITH DENKTASH JULY 3. ACCORDING TO GORGE

(WHO SAW DCM JULY 4), DENKTASH AGREED IN PRINCIPLE TO UN USE OF AIRPORT AS PROPOSED BY UNSYG. PROBLEM AROSE, HOWEVER, WHEN DENKTASH ASKED IF UN WOULD USE NICOSIA FOR ALL PERSONNEL AND CARGO MOVEMENTS. GALINDO-POHL REPLIED THAT UN USE OF NICOSIA WOULD BE SPORADIC AND MOSTLY CONFINED TO CARGO AND TROOP MOVEMENTS. SOME USE WOULD HAVE TO BE MADE OF COMMERCIAL AIRLINES. DENKTASH SAID THAT IN THAT CASE, HE COULD ONLY AGREE TO UN USE IF UNFICYP UNDERTOOK TO USE ERCAN FOR AT LEAST A PORTION OF ITS OTHER TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS. MEETING CLOSED ON THIS NOTE; DENKTASH DID NOT GIVE A FINAL TURKISH CYPRIOT RESPONSE TO AIRPORT PROPOSAL.

4. GORGE SAID HE HOPED TURKISH AMBASSADOR ONHON WOULD SEE THAT ERCAN USE REQUIREMENT WOULD END HOPE OF NICOSIA RE-OPENING AND WOULD EXERCISE INFLUENCE ON DENKTASH TO GET HIM TO BACK DOWN ON THIS POINT. GORGE WAS TO SEE ONHON JULY 4 TO DISCUSS AIRPORT WITH HIM.
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